IN RE: PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION \*

AND ZONING VARIANCE

W/S Geipe Rd., 326.03 ft. S of

c/l Baltimore National Pike

800 Geipe Road

1st Election District
1st Councilmanic District

Legal Owner: Rolling Rd. Realty

Contract Lessee: ABC Rentals

\* BEFORE THE

ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

\* Case No. 95-481-XA

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#### FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before the Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Special Exception and Petition for Zoning Variance for the property located at 800 Geipe Road in western Baltimore County. The Petitions are filed by Rolling Road Realty, Inc., property owner, and ABC Rentals, Contract Lessee. Special Exception relief is requested for approval of a contractor's equipment storage yard in a B.R.-C.C.C. zone, pursuant to Section 236.4 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR). Variance relief is requested from Section 409.6.(A)(2) to allow 24 parking spaces in lieu of the required 73 parking spaces, and Section 413.2.(F) to allow a total of 200 sq. ft. of free standing signage area, in lieu of the permitted 100 sq. ft. The subject property and requested relief are more particularly shown on Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1, the site plan to accompany the Petitions for Special Exception and Variance.

Appearing at the requisite public hearing held for this case was Lee Lightner on behalf of ABC Rentals, and Tim Madden, the Landscape Architect who prepared the site plan. The Petitioner was represented by David Meadows, Esquire. There were no Protestants or other interested persons present.

Testimony and evidence presented was that the subject site is a tract of approximately 2.5768 acres zoned B.R.-C.C.C. The property is located adjacent to Geipe Road, near Baltimore National Pike (U.S.Route 40) in

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western Baltimore County. The property is located in the midst of a commercial/retail area near the Catonsville community.

Previously, the site was used as a parking lot to serve a large Montgomery Wards warehouse outlet next door. That outlet is no longer in business. Other businesses in the area include gas stations and service garages as well as automobile body shops and similar retail uses.

ABC Rentals proposes leasing the subject property and constructing a building of approximately 14,445 sq. ft. The business of ABC Rentals is well known to this Commissioner and the company has many other locations in Baltimore County. In essence, the company leases all types of equipment and items to the general public. The items leased range from Bobcats similar type contractor/construction equipment to household items. Most of the items are leased on a short term basis to homeowners and small business It is of note that the building to be constructed will be divided into different sections. Approximately 1800 sq. ft. of the building will be dedicated to a showroom where items will be displayed. An additional 1800 sq. ft. will be occupied by the company's offices and an additional 1800 sq. ft. will be set aside for a repair and maintenance shop. The majority of the building, some 9,045 sq. ft., will be used for storage of the items rented. Moreover exterior storage will be provided throughout the balance of the tract as shown on the site plan.

Interestingly, the BCZR does not define that type of business in which ABC Rentals is engaged. It is not a true retail operation in the sense that no items are sold. A contractor's equipment storage yard appears to be a close fit, however. Under the definition of that term within Section 101, the BCZR notes that such a use includes any inside or outside of a building area used for storage or keeping of contractor's equipment or machinery including building materials storage, construction equipment

storage or landscaping equipment and associated materials. The items rented by ABC Rentals falls within this type of material.

A contractor's equipment storage yard is permitted in a B.R. zone by special exception pursuant to Section 236.4 of the BCZR. A special exception use is presumptively proper, upon the Petitioner showing that there will be no detrimental effect of the use upon the health, safety and general welfare of the surrounding locale. The Petitioner must meet the standards set forth in Section 502.1 of the BCZR.

Based upon the testimony and evidence presented, I am persuaded that the Petition for Special Exception should be granted. The proposed use is entirely consistent with other uses throughout the area. There is no evidence that the proposed use at this location would cause any detrimental effect to the surrounding locale. Each of the tests listed in Section 502.1 of the regulations is satisfied.

The variance relief requested is twofold. First, the Petitioner requested approval for 24 spaces in lieu of the required 73 spaces. Second, a freestanding sign of 200 sq. ft. is requested, in lieu of the maximum allowed 100 sq. ft.

As to the parking variance, same is driven by the regulations set forth in Section 409 of the BCZR. Although the use is not considered retail, the retail parking regulations are appropriate in computing the number of spaces required. However, as noted above, only a small part of the building will allow public access. If the parking calculations for retail use were applied only to the 1800 sq. ft., dedicated to the show room, 9 parking spaces would be required. Six additional spaces would be required for the office space for a total of 15 uses. The majority of spaces will be generated by the large storage area of the building. Clearly, this storage area will not, in and of itself, generate traffic.

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As to the sign variance, the Petitioner noted that this site does not immediately abut U.S. Route 40 and, thus, larger signage is requested. The Petitioner also produced testimony and evidence that the proposed sign was consistent with other signs in the area. There is no adverse comment from any County agency, nor adverse witness in opposition to these variances.

Based upon the uncontradicted testimony and evidence offered, I am persuaded that the Petitioner has satisfied the burden for the granting of the variances set forth in Section 307.1 of the BCZR and the case law. I find, as fact, that the Petitioner has demonstrated that the property possesses unique characteristics which justify the variances. A denial of the variances would result in practical difficulty to the Petitioner. For these reasons, the variances will be granted.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on these Petitions held, and for the reasons given above, the relief requested should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County this 27 day of July, 1995 that, pursuant to the Petition for Special Exception, approval of a contractor's equipment storage yard in a B.R.-C.C.C. zone, and Section 236.4 of the BCZR, be and is hereby GRANTED; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a variance from Section 409.6.(A)(2) to allow 24 parking spaces in lieu of the required 73 parking spaces, be and is hereby GRANTED; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a variance from Section 413.2.(F) to allow a total of 200 sq. ft. of free standing signage area, in lieu of the permitted 100 sq. ft., be and is hereby GRANTED, subject, however, to the following restriction:

<sup>1.</sup> The Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at its own risk until

such time as the 30 day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT

Zoning Commissioner for

Baltimore County

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### Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning



Suite 112 Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-4386

July 26, 1995

David M. Meadows, Esquire 4111 E. Joppa Road Baltimore, Maryland 21236

RE: Petitions for Special Exception and Variance

Case No. 95-481-SPXA Property: 800 Geipe Road

ABC Rentals, Contract Lessee/ Rolling Road Realty,

Inc., Legal Owner

Dear Mr. Meadows:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered on the above captioned case. The Petitions for Special Exception and Zoning Variance have been granted, with restriction, in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event the decision rendered is unfavorable to any party, please be advised that any party may file an appeal within thirty (30) days of the date of the Order to the County Board of Appeals. If you require additional information concerning filing an appeal, please feel free to contact our Appeals Clerk at 887-3353.

Very truly yours,

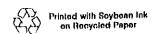
Lawrence E. Schmidt Zoning Commissioner

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cc: Mr. Lee Lightner, ABC Rentals, 6425-B Baltimore National Pike,21128

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# Petition for Special Exception

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Justification for Special Exception to allow a "Contractor's Equipment Storage Yard" in a BR-CCC Zone, pursuant to Section 236.4 of the BCZR.

The requested Special Exception, if granted, will result in the inclusion of a storage yard with the proposed tool and equipment Rental Center. The storage yard is a vital element of the rental operation. Without the granting of this Special Exception, the ABC Rental Center will not be able to locate here.

We would like to point out that the granting of the requested Special Exception will not:

- a. Be detrimental to the health, safety or general welfare of the locality. This Center will be maintained and operated in a safe manner and will contribute positively to the Community.
- b. Tend to create congestion in roads. Access to this site will utilize an existing curb cut. The traffic generated from the proposed use will not exceed the traffic which was generated from this site when the now-vacant building next door was in operation by Montgomery Wards.
- c. Create a potential hazard from fire, panic or other dangers. The operations on this site will meet or exceed all applicable safety codes. Sufficient access will be designed so as to provide adequate fire protection.
- d. Tend to overcrowd land and cause undue concentration of population. This development will not generate any additional population. All employees are existing residents. This type of use has not been shown to result in concentrations of populations.
- e. Interfere with adequate provisions for schools, parks, water, sewerage, transportation or other public requirements, conveniences, or improvements. This proposal is a redevelopment of an already-paved parking lot. It will not interfere with any of the above.
- f. Interfere with adequate light and air. The proposed building mass, setbacks, arrangement and clearances in the outdoor storage yard will not interfere with the passage/flow of light and air.
- g. Be inconsistent with the purpose of the Property's zoning classification...
  - The proposal is entirely consistent with the spirit and intent of the BR Zone in a CCC district.
- h. Be inconsistent with the impermeable surface and vegetative retention provisions of these zoning regulations. The site exists as a paved parking lot. The proposal will actually result in <u>less</u> paving and <u>more</u> landscaping than the existing conditions.

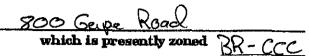
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# Petition for Variance

# to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at



This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management.

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s)

- 409-6(A)(2) to allow 24 parking spaces in lieu of the required 73 parking spaces.
- 413.2(F) to allow a total of 200 S.F. of freestanding sign area in lieu of the permitted 100 S.F.

of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty)

See attached Statement of Reasons.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations.

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

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# STATEMENT OF REASONS 95-481-XA

Variance from Section 409.6(A)(2) to allow 24 parking spaces in lieu of the required 73 parking spaces.

The proposed use, a tool and equipment Rental Center, is categorized in the parking regulations contained within the BCZR as, "Retail - General". This category requires parking at the rate of 5 spaces for every 1,000 sf of gross floor area. The proposed 14,445 sf of gross floor area generates a requirement of 73 parking spaces.

The 14,445 sf will be comprised of the following areas:

- 1,800 sf of showroom
- 1,800 sf of office space
- 1,800 sf of repair and maintenance shop
- 9,045 sf of equipment storage, staging and maneuvering area.

In reality, this use does not generate parking requirements the same as general retail uses. Most customers call ahead to reserve the tool and/or equipment which the wish to rent. They pull their vehicle into the contractor's equipment storage yard in the rear of the building to pick up their equipment. Walk-in customers park their vehicles, walk into the showroom, make their inquiry and either pickup the desired item, or leave.

Therefore, it is reasonable to provide parking for the showroom area at the rate required for general retail use, which is: 1,800 sf @ 5/1000 = 9 parking spaces

The mezzanine (partial second story) office space will generate parking at the rate required for office use, which is: 1,800 sf @ 3.3/1000 = 6 spaces

The other uses within the building, as well as the outdoor contractor's equipment storage vard, do not generate any parking requirement, for the following reasons:

- a. Customers are not permitted in the shop area nor in the equipment storage areas.
- b. The shop area and the equipment storage and staging areas are ancillary to the customer interaction functions occurring in the showroom area.
- c. This type of use, a tool and equipment rental center is a unique and unusual use which generates parking requirements in a very unusual and peculiar way.

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- d. The requirement to provide parking for all of the gross floor areas of this unique use presents the Applicant with a practical difficulty in the utilization of this 2.3 acre lot. The practical difficultly is created by application of the parking requirement for 5 parking spaces per 1,000 sf applied to this unique use which requires significantly less parking.
- e. The 24 proposed parking spaces will provide the Applicant with more than adequate parking for his needs as well as the needs of his clients.
- f. Any other reasons or justifications which may be presented to the Hearing Officer in person.

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Variance from Section 413.2(F) to allows a total of 200 s.f. of freestanding sign area in lieu of the permitted 100 s.f.

- a. The proposed site is located along a commercial service road where much the existing signage is already 200 s.f. or greater, in size. The size of the signage should be 100 s.f. on both sides of the sign so as to avoid the practical difficulty of little or no visibility. Signage for this use is needed as an identifier so that people looking for the Rental Center can find it. Geipe Road is only about 1400 feet long, so visibility from Rte 40 and from Rolling Road is important to this business. Therefore, a pylon sign of 100 s.f. of sign face on both sides is needed to provide identity.
- b. Any other reasons or justifications which may be presented to the Hearing Officer in person.

# **MORRIS & RITCHIE ASSOCIATES, INC.**

ENGINEERS, PLANNERS, SURVEYORS, AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS



#### ZONING DESCRIPTION

FOR 95-481-XA

### THE PROPOSED ABC RENTAL CENTER AT 800 GEIPE ROAD

Beginning at a point on the west side of Geipe Road, which is Seventy (70) feet wide at the distance of three hundred twenty-six and three-hundredths (326.03) feet south of the centerline of Baltimore National Pike (U.S. Route 40) which is seventy-five (75) feet wide. Thence, following the following courses:

North 74° 19′ 54″ W. 275 ft., N. 36° 33′ 30″ E. 331.28 ft., N. 74° 19′ 54″ W. 398.45 ft/. M. 10° 05′ 33″ W. 74.87 ft., N. 15° 40′ 06″ E. 235.05 ft. to the point of beginning, as recorded in Deed Liber 5009, Folio 559.

Being Lot #4, Section One in the subdivision known as the "Geipe Tract" recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book #WJR 28, Folio 10, containing 2.64 acres, more or less. This property is also known as 800 Geipe Road located in the First Election District.

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#### NOTICE OF HEARING

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Chesapeake Avenue in Towach, Maryland 21204 or Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Washington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

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Special Exception: for a contractor a equipment storage yard. Variance: to allow 24

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LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT, Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County NOTES: (1) Hearings are Handicapped accessible; for special accommodations Please Call 887-3353.

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# ZONING HEARING ADVERTISING AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

Baltimore County Zoning Regulations require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property and placement of a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the County.

This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements.

#### PAYMENT WILL BE MADE AS FOLLOWS:

- Posting fees will be accessed and paid to this office at the 1) time of filing.
- 2) Billing for legal advertising, due upon receipt, will come from and should be remitted directly to the newspaper. NON-PAYMENT OF ADVERTISING FEES WILL STAY ISSUANCE OF ZONING ORDER.

ARNOLD JABLON, DIRECTOR For newspaper advertising:

Item No.:\_ 472

Petitioner: ABC Rentals

Location: 800 Gerpe Roal

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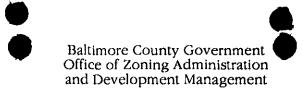
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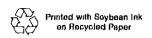
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ABC Rentals

David M. Meadows, Esq.

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111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

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July 18, 1995

David M. Meadows, Esquire 4111 E. Joppa Road Baltimore, Maryland 21236

RE: Item No.: 472

Case No.: 95-481-XA

Petitioner: Rolling Road Realty

Dear Mr. Meadows:

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from Baltimore County approval agencies, has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition, which was accepted for processing by Permits and Development Management (PDM), Zoning Review, on June 21, 1995.

Any comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. Only those comments that are informative will be forwarded to you; those that are not informative will be placed in the permanent case file.

If you need further information or have any questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency or Joyce Watson in the zoning office (887-3391).

W. Carl Richards, Jr. Zoning Supervisor

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Attachment(s)





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#### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

DATE: July 12, 1995

Zoning Administration and Development Management

FROM:

Pat Keller, Director

Office of Planning and Zoning

SUBJECT:

Petitions from Zoning Advisory Committee

The Office of Planning and Zoning has no comments on the following petition(s):

Item Nos. 450, 470 and 472

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 887-3480.

Prepared by:

Division Chief;

PK/JL

A. W. S. Mills

# BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Arnold Jablon, Director DATE: July 11, 1995 Zoning Administration and Development Management

FROM: Whert W. Bowling, P.E., Chief Development Plans Review

RE: Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

for July 10, 1998

Items 468, 469, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476 and 477

The Development Plans Review Division has reviewed the subject zoning item and we have no comments.

RWB:sw

# BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

# INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

ZADM

DATE: 7/7/95

FROM:

**DEPRM** 

Development Coordination

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee
Agenda: July 3, 1995

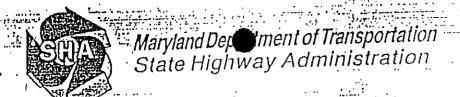
The Department of Environmental Protection & Resource Management has no comments for the following Zoning Advisory Committee Items:

Item #'s: 468

469

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O. James Lighthizer Secretary, Secretary, Hal Kassoff

6-23-95

Baltimore County
Item No.: 412 (MJK)

Ms. Joyce Watson
Zoning Administration and
Development Management
County Office Building
Room 109

Room 109
111 W. Chesapeake Avenue
Towson, Maryland 21204

Dear Ms. Watson:

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not effected by any State Highway Administration project.

Rc.

Please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

Very truly yours, Bolo Small

Ronald Burns, Chief Engineering Access Permits

Division

BS/

# PETITION PROBLEMS **AGENDA OF JULY 3, 1995**

# #469 --- JRA

- Need title of person signing for legal owner. 1.
- 2. Need address and telephone number for legal owner.
- 3. Need attorney.

#### #470 --- CAM

1. Receipt was not given to petitioner - still in folder.

### #471 --- CAM

- Need telephone number for legal owner. 1.
- 2. Receipt was not given to petitioner - still in folder.

# #472 --- MJK

- Need printed or typed title for person signing for legal owner. 1.
- 2.
- Need power of attorney for person signing for legal owner. Need printed or typed title for person signing for contract purchaser. 3.
- Need power of attorney for person signing for contract purchaser. 4.
- No location description on folder.

# #475 --- JRA

Folder was not marked critical area. 1.

### #476 --- JLL

Need power of attorney for person signing for contract purchaser. 1.

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# BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

# DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

# INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

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Mr. Wirth - DEPRM, SWM To: Mr. Stewart - DEPRM, EIRD Mr. Seeley - DEPRM, W&S Mr. Richards - PDM, Development Control Mr. Ogle - PDM, House Numbers & Street Names Mr. Bowling - PDM, DES (3) Capt. Paull - Fire Dept. - 1102F Mr. Grossman - Rec & Parks Mr. Small - SHA (3) Mr. McDaniel - OPZ, Development Review (3) From: Susan Wimbley Project Name: ABC RENTAL CENTER Subject: 951412 Geipe Road Project No.: PDM No.: 1-436 District: 1 MRA Engineer: Phone No.: 821-1690 Limited Exemption (26-171.b.9) X Waived Hearing Officer Hearing **CRG Non-material Amendment** Waived CRG Meeting 

Action:

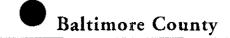
Please review the attached plan for compliance with current regulations and SEPT. 7, 1995. If you have no comments or do not need to review this plan,

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# Department of Permits ar Development Management

Development Processing County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204





James T. Smith, Jr., County Executive Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

July 12, 2005

Ms. Nicole M. Lacoste, Esquire Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP 300 East Lombard St., 18th Floor Baltimore, Maryland 21202-03268

Re: 700 Geipe Road

Zoning Case 95-481-XA 1<sup>st</sup> Election District

Dear Ms. Lacoste:

Your letter to Timothy Kotroco, Director of Permits and Development Management, has been referred to me for reply. As stated in your letter the zoning commissioner on 7-27-95 granted a special exception for a contractors equipment storage yard, a variance to allow 24 parking spaces in lieu of the minimum required 73 spaces and a variance to allow a total of 200 square fee of freestanding signage area in lieu of the maximum permitted 100 square feet for this site. Your client proposes a lot line adjustment as shown on the submitted highlighted site plans. The proposed adjustment would decrease the area of the special exception (2.5768 acres per the zoning order and 2.364 acres per your letter) to 2.222 acres. This matter has been reviewed by staff and it has been determined that a special hearing would be required to amend the area of the granted special exception.

I trust that the information set forth in this letter is sufficiently detailed and responsive to the request. If you need further information or have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-887-3391.

Sincerely,

John J. Sullivan

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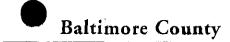
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# Department of Permits as Development Management

Development Processing County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204





James T. Smith, Jr., County Executive Timothy M. Kotroco, Director

September 8, 2005

Ms. Nicole M. Lacoste, Esquire Ballard, Spahr, Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP. 300 East Lombard Street, 18<sup>th</sup> Fl. Baltimore, Maryland 21202-3268

Re: Follow-up to Spirit and Intent Letter dated

3-30-05, Zoning Case No. 95-481-XA

800 Geipe Road 1<sup>st</sup> Election District

Dear Ms. Lacoste,

Your letter to Timothy Kotroco, Director of Permits and Development Management has been referred to me for reply. As stated in your letter, Mr. William Monk of Morris & Ritchie Associates, Inc. met with Donald T. Rascoe, Deputy Director of Permits and Development Management to discuss my July 12, 2005 letter to you, which stated that a Special Hearing would be required for a proposed lot line adjustment to amend the prior granted case no. 95-481-XA. Per my brief conversation with Mr. Rascoe yesterday, it was determined that a proposed lot line adjustment as shown on the submitted site plan which accompanied your prior letter is approved as being within the spirit and intent of the above referenced granted zoning case and as such will not require a Special Hearing before the Zoning Commissioner.

I trust that the information set forth in this letter is sufficiently detailed and responsive to the request. If you need further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-887-3391.

Very truly yours,

John J. Sullivan, Jr.

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Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management



111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-3353

June 27, 1995

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore
County, will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in
Room 106 of the County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204

or

Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Washington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

CASE NUMBER: 95-481-XA (Item 472)

800 Geipe Road

W/S Geipe Road, 326.03' S of c/l Baltimore National Pike

1st Election District - 1st Councilmanic Legal Owner(s): Rolling Road Realty, Inc.

Contract Purchaser(s): ABC Rentals

HEARING: TUESDAY, JULY 25, 1995 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 118, Old Courthouse.

Special Exception for a contractor's equipment storage yard.

Variance to allow 24 parking spaces in lieu of the required 73 parking spaces and to allow a total of 200 square feet of freestanding sign area in lieu of the permitted 100 square feet.

Arnold Jablon

Director

Department of Permits and Development Management

cc: Rolling Road Realty, Inc.

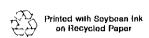
ABC Rentals

David M. Meadows, Esq.

- NOTES: (1) ZONING SIGN & POST MUST BE RETURNED TO RM. 104, 111 W. CHESAPEAKE AVENUE ON THE HEARING DATE.
  - (2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL 887-3353.
  - (3) FOR INFORMATION CONCERING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, CONTACT THIS OFFICE AT 887-3391.









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TO: Mitch KELLMA MORRIS & RITY E ASSOCIATES, INC.

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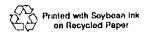
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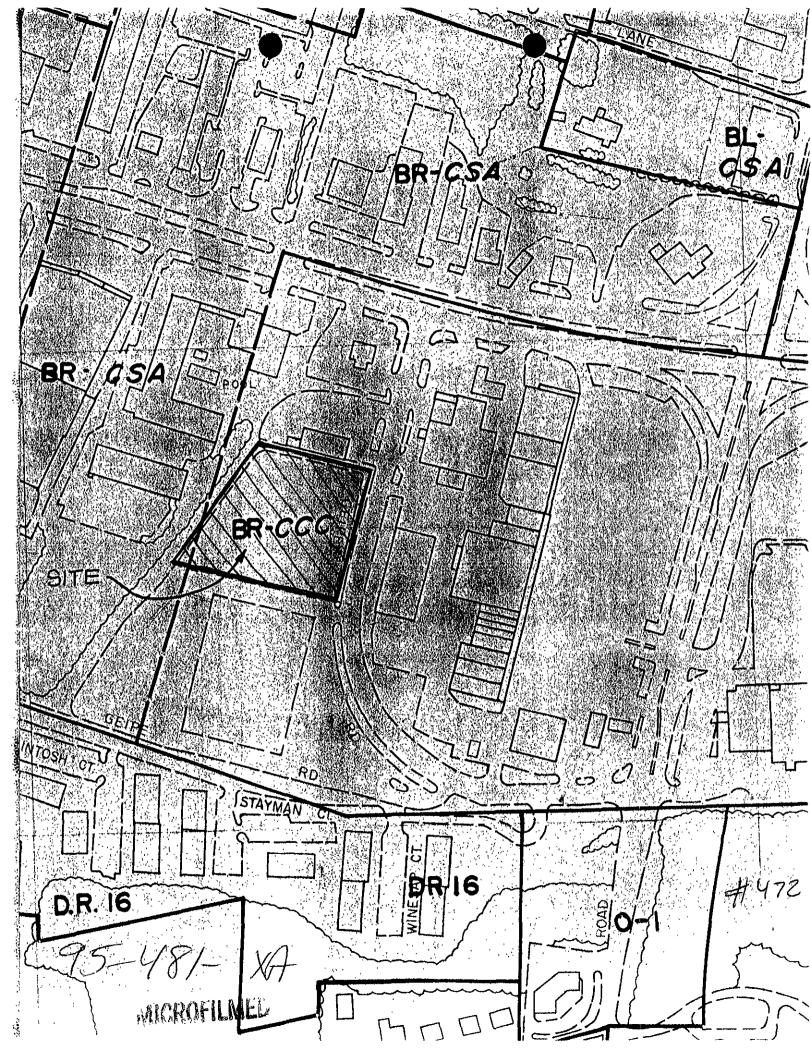
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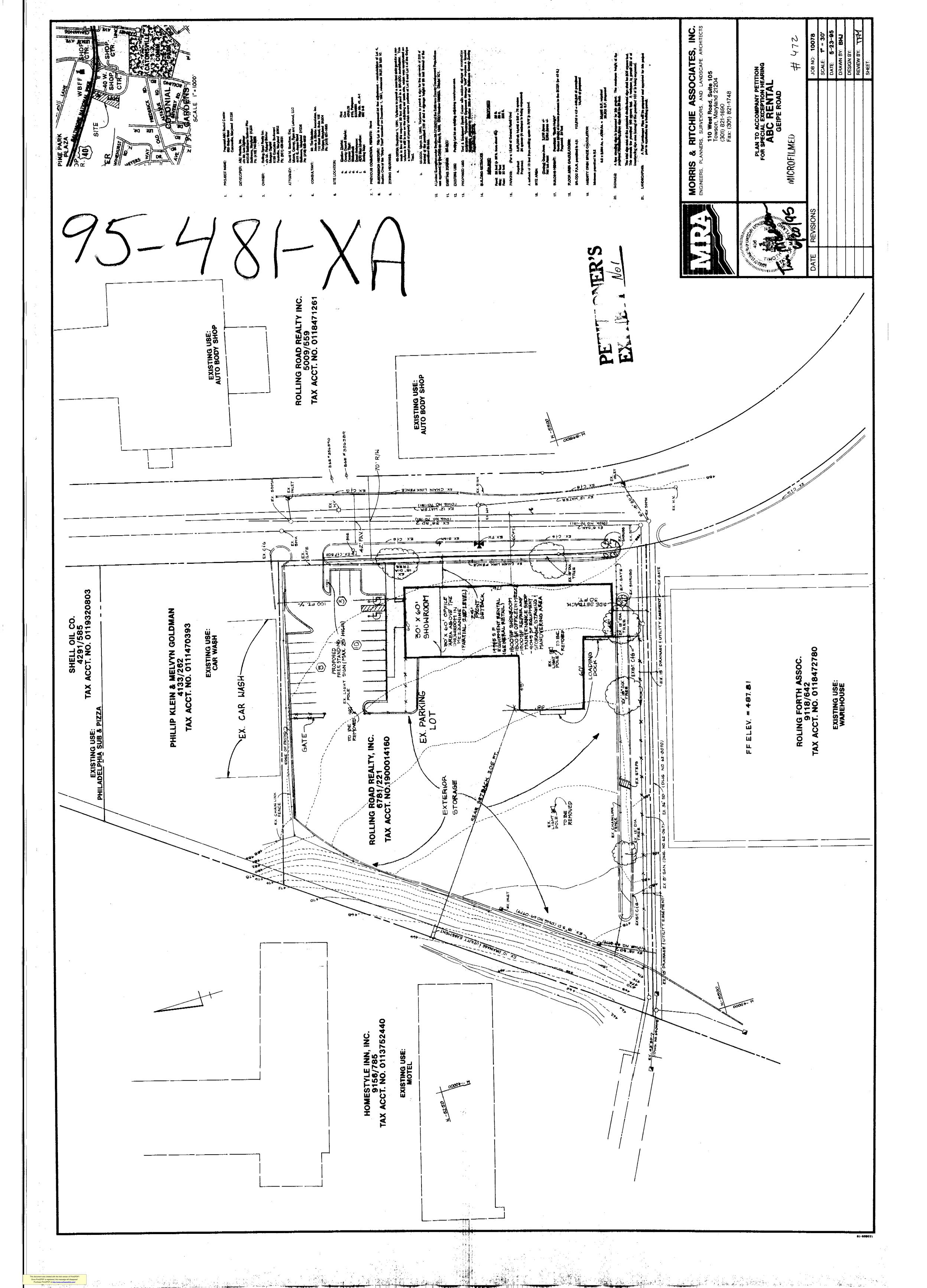
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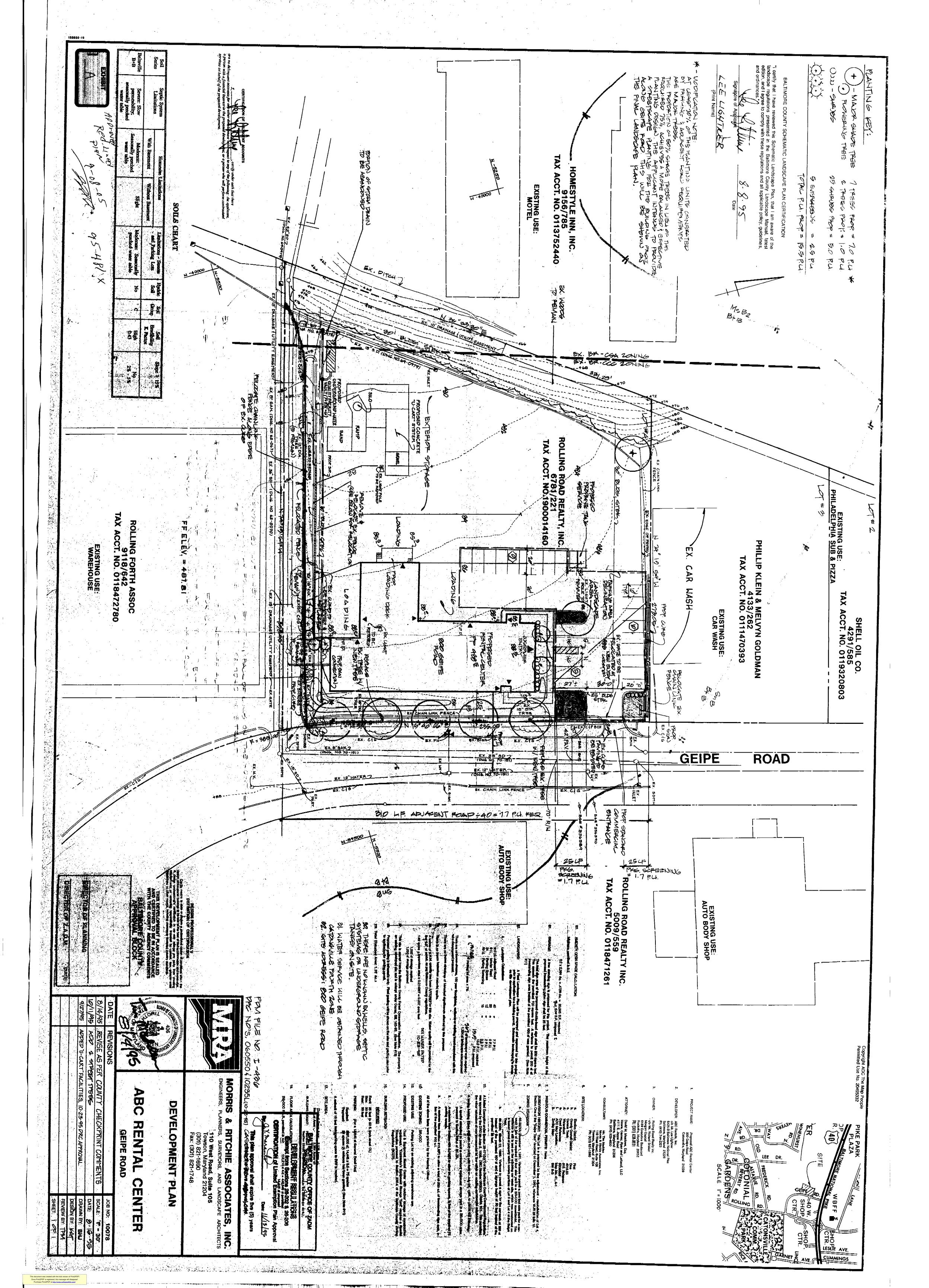
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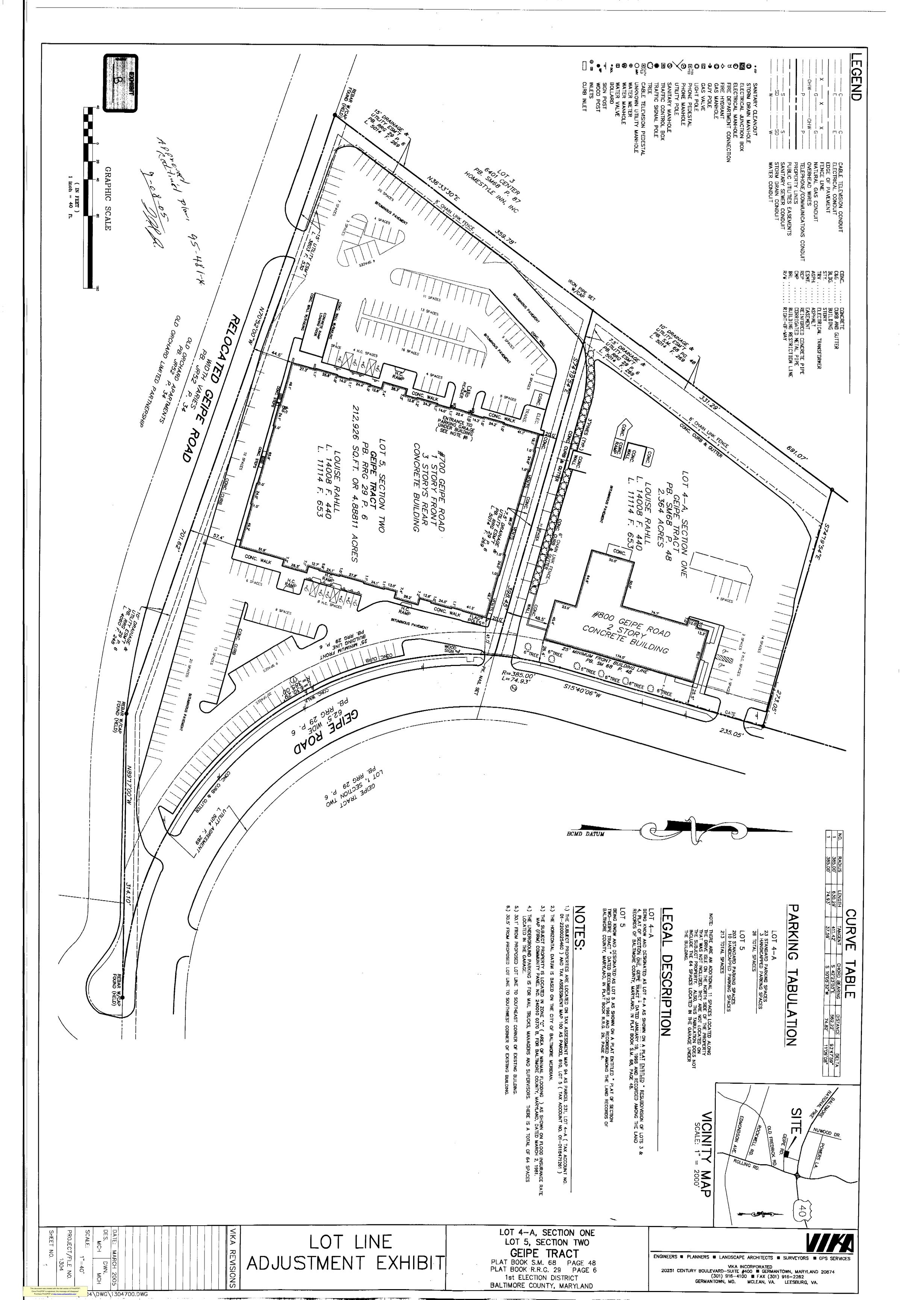
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1st Election District \* Case No. 95-481-XA 1st Councilmanic District Legal Owner: Rolling Rd. Realty Contract Lessee: ABC Rentals \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

# FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before the Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Special Exception and Petition for Zoning Variance for the property located at 800 Geipe Road in western Baltimore County. The Petitions are filed by Rolling Road Realty, Inc., property owner, and ABC Rentals, Contract Lessee. Special Exception relief is requested for approval of a contractor's equipment storage yard in a B.R.-C.C.C. zone, pursuant to Section 236.4 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR). Variance relief is requested from Section 409.6.(A)(2) to allow 24 parking spaces in lieu of the required 73 parking spaces, and Section 413.2.(F) to allow a total of 200 sq. ft. of free standing signage area, in lieu of the permitted 100 sq. ft. The subject property and requested relief are more particularly shown on Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1, the site plan to accompany the Petitions for Special Exception and Variance.

Appearing at the requisite public hearing held for this case was Lee Lightner on behalf of ABC Rentals, and Tim Madden, the Landscape Architect who prepared the site plan. The Petitioner was represented by David Meadows, Esquire. There were no Protestants or other interested persons present.

Testimony and evidence presented was that the subject site is a tract of approximately 2.5768 acres zoned B.R.-C.C.C. The property is located adjacent to Geipe Road, near Baltimore National Pike (U.S.Route 40) in

> such time as the 30 day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

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Zoning Commissioner for

Baltimore County

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es as well as automobile body shops and similar retail uses. ABC Rentals proposes leasing the subject property and constructing a

the balance of the tract as shown on the site plan.

cial/retail area near the Catonsville community.

building of approximately 14,445 sq. ft. The business of ABC Rentals is well known to this Commissioner and the company has many other locations in Baltimore County. In essence, the company leases all types of equipment and items to the general public. The items leased range from Bobcats and similar type contractor/construction equipment to household items. Most of the items are leased on a short term basis to homeowners and small business persons. It is of note that the building to be constructed will be divided into different sections. Approximately 1800 sq. ft. of the building will be dedicated to a showroom where items will be displayed. An additional 1800 sq. ft. will be occupied by the company's offices and an additional 1800 sq. ft. will be set aside for a repair and maintenance shop. The majority of the building, some 9,045 sq. ft., will be used for storage of the items rented. Moreover exterior storage will be provided throughout

western Baltimore County. The property is located in the midst of a commer-

gomery Wards warehouse outlet next door. That outlet is no longer in busi-

ness. Other businesses in the area include gas stations and service garag-

Previously, the site was used as a parking lot to serve a large Mont-

Interestingly, the BCZR does not define that type of business in which ABC Rentals is engaged. It is not a true retail operation in the sense that no items are sold. A contractor's equipment storage yard appears to be a close fit, however. Under the definition of that term within Section 101, the BCZR notes that such a use includes any inside or outside of a building area used for storage or keeping of contractor's equipment or machinery including building materials storage, construction equipment

storage or landscaping equipment and associated materials. The items rented by ABC Rentals falls within this type of material.

A contractor's equipment storage yard is permitted in a B.R. zone by special exception pursuant to Section 236.4 of the BCZR. A special exception use is presumptively proper, upon the Petitioner showing that there will be no detrimental effect of the use upon the health, safety and general welfare of the surrounding locale. The Petitioner must meet the standards set forth in Section 502.1 of the BCZR.

Based upon the testimony and evidence presented, I am persuaded that the Petition for Special Exception should be granted. The proposed use is entirely consistent with other uses throughout the area. There is no evidence that the proposed use at this location would cause any detrimental effect to the surrounding locale. Each of the tests listed in Section 502.1 of the regulations is satisfied.

The variance relief requested is twofold. First, the Petitioner requested approval for 24 spaces in lieu of the required 73 spaces. Second, a freestanding sign of 200 sq. ft. is requested, in lieu of the maximum allowed 100 sq. ft.

As to the parking variance, same is driven by the regulations set forth in Section 409 of the BCZR. Although the use is not considered retail, the retail parking regulations are appropriate in computing the number of spaces required. However, as noted above, only a small part of the building will allow public access. If the parking calculations for retail use were applied only to the 1800 sq. ft., dedicated to the show room, 9 parking spaces would be required. Six additional spaces would be required for the office space for a total of 15 uses. The majority of spaces will be generated by the large storage area of the building. Clearly, this storage area will not, in and of itself, generate traffic.

As to the sign variance, the Petitioner noted that this site does not immediately abut U.S. Route 40 and, thus, larger signage is requested. The Petitioner also produced testimony and evidence that the proposed sign was consistent with other signs in the area. There is no adverse comment from any County agency, nor adverse witness in opposition to these variances.

Based upon the uncontradicted testimony and evidence offered, I am persuaded that the Petitioner has satisfied the burden for the granting of the variances set forth in Section 307.1 of the BCZR and the case law. I find, as fact, that the Petitioner has demonstrated that the property possesses unique characteristics which justify the variances. A denial of the variances would result in practical difficulty to the Petitioner. For these reasons, the variances will be granted.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on these Petitions held, and for the reasons given above, the relief requested should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County this  $\frac{\sqrt{}}{}$  day of July, 1995 that, pursuant to the Petition for Special Exception, approval of a contractor's equipment storage yard in a B.R.-C.C.C. zone, and Section 236.4 of the BCZR, be and is hereby GRANTED;

IT IS FTRTHER ORDERED that a variance from Section 409.6.(A)(2) to allow 24 parking spaces in lieu of the required 73 parking spaces, be and is hereby GRANTED; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a variance from Section 413.2.(F) to allow a total of 200 sq. ft. of free standing signage area, in lieu of the permitted 100 sq. ft., be and is hereby GRANTED, subject, however, to the following restriction:

> 1. The Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at its own risk until

Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

Suite 112 Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-4386

July 26, 1995

David M. Meadows, Esquire 4111 E. Joppa Road Baltimore, Maryland 21236

> RE: Petitions for Special Exception and Variance Case No. 95-481-SPXA Property: 800 Geipe Road ABC Rentals, Contract Lessee/ Rolling Road Realty, Inc., Legal Owner

Dear Mr. Meadows:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered on the above captioned case. The Petitions for Special Exception and Zoning Variance have been granted, with restriction, in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event the decision rendered is unfavorable to any party, please be advised that any party may file an appeal within thirty (30) days of the date of the Order to the County Board of Appeals. If you require additional information concerning filing an appeal, please feel free to contact our Appeals Clerk at 887-3353.

Zoning Commissioner

cc: Mr. Lee Lightner, ABC Rentals, 6425-B Baltimore National Pike,21128

herein described property for

# Petition for Special Exception

#472

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at 800 Geipe Road which is presently zoned This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management. The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached

> A special exception, of a "Contractor's Equipment Storage Yard", pursuant to Section 236.4 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations. See, attached Statement of Reasons.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Special Exception advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Exception under the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to use the

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95-481-XA

Justification for Special Exception to allow a "Contractor's Equipment Storage Yard" in a BR-CCC Zone, pursuant to Section 236.4 of the BCZR.

The requested Special Exception, if granted, will result in the inclusion of a storage yard with the proposed tool and equipment Rental Center. The storage yard is a vital element of the rental operation. Without the granting of this Special Exception, the ABC Rental Center will not be able to locate here.

We would like to point out that the granting of the requested Special Exception will not:

- a. Be detrimental to the health, safety or general welfare of the locality. This Center will be maintained and operated in a safe manner and will contribute positively to the Community.
- Tend to create congestion in roads. Access to this site will utilize an existing curb cut. The traffic generated from the proposed use will not exceed the traffic which was generated from this site when the now-vacant building next door was in operation by Montgomery Wards.
- Create a potential hazard from fire, panic or other dangers. The operations on this site will meet or exceed all applicable safety codes. Sufficient access will be designed so as to provide adequate fire protection.
- Tend to overcrowd land and cause undue concentration of population. This development will not generate any additional population. All employees are existing residents. This type of use has not been shown to result in concentrations of populations.
- Interfere with adequate provisions for schools, parks, water, sewerage, transportation or other public requirements, conveniences, or improvements. This proposal is a redevelopment of an already-paved parking lot. It will not interfere with any of the above.
- Interfere with adequate light and air. The proposed building mass, setbacks, arrangement and clearances in the outdoor storage yard will not interfere with the passage/flow of light and air.
- g. Be inconsistent with the purpose of the Property's zoning classification...

The proposal is entirely consistent with the spirit and intent of the BR Zone in a CCC district.

Be inconsistent with the impermeable surface and vegetative retention provisions of these zoning regulations. The site exists as a paved parking lot. The proposal will actually result in less paving and more landscaping than the existing

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for the property located at

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which is presently zoned BR-CCC

# 472

This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management.

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s) - 409-6(A)(2) to allow 24 parking spaces in lieu of the required 73 parking spaces.

- 413.2(F) to allow a total of 200 S.F. of freestanding sign area in lieu of the permitted 100 S.F. of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or

See attached Statement of Reasons.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County

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t/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that t/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.

MORRIS & RITCHIE ASSOCIATES, INC. ENGINEERS, PLANNERS, SURVEYORS, AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

ZONING DESCRIPTION

FOR 95-4/81-XA

THE PROPOSED ABC RENTAL CENTER AT 800 GEIPE ROAD

Beginning at a point on the west side of Geipe Road, which is Seventy (70) feet wide at the distance of three hundred twenty-six and three-hundredths (326.03) feet south of the centerline of Baltimore National Pike (U.S. Route 40) which is seventy-five (75) feet wide. Thence, following the following courses:

North 74° 19' 54" W. 275 ft., N. 36° 33' 30" E. 331.28 ft., N. 74° 19' 54" W. 398.45 ft/. M. 10° 05' 33" W. 74.87 ft., N. 15° 40' 06" E. 235.05 ft. to the point of beginning, as recorded in Deed Liber 5009, Folio 559.

Being Lot #4, Section One in the subdivision known as the "Geipe Tract" recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book #WJR 28, Folio 10, containing 2.64 acres, more or less. This property is also known as 800 Geipe Road located in the First Election District.



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STATEMENT OF REASONS 95-481-XA

Variance from Section 409.6(A)(2) to allow 24 parking spaces in lieu of the required 73 parking

The proposed use, a tool and equipment Rental Center, is categorized in the parking regulations contained within the BCZR as, "Retail - General". This category requires parking at the rate of 5 spaces for every 1,000 sf of gross floor area. The proposed 14,445 sf of gross floor area generates a requirement of 73 parking spaces.

The 14,445 sf will be comprised of the following areas:

- 1,800 sf of showroom
- 1,800 sf of office space
- 1,800 sf of repair and maintenance shop
- 9.045 sf of equipment storage, staging and maneuvering area.

In reality, this use does not generate parking requirements the same as general retail uses. Most customers call ahead to reserve the tool and/or equipment which the wish to rent. They pull their vehicle into the contractor's equipment storage yard in the rear of the building to pick up their equipment. Walk-in customers park their vehicles, walk into the showroom, make their inquiry and either pickup the desired item, or leave.

Therefore, it is reasonable to provide parking for the showroom area at the rate required for general retail use, which is: 1,800 sf @ 5/1000 = 9 parking spaces

The mezzanine (partial second story) office space will generate parking at the rate required for office use, which is: 1,800 sf @ 3.3/1000 = 6 spaces

The other uses within the building, as well as the outdoor contractor's equipment storage yard, do not generate any parking requirement, for the following reasons:

- a. Customers are not permitted in the shop area nor in the equipment storage areas.
- The shop area and the equipment storage and staging areas are ancillary to the customer interaction functions occurring in the showroom area.
- c. This type of use, a tool and equipment rental center is a unique and unusual use which generates parking requirements in a very unusual and peculiar way.

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- The requirement to provide parking for all of the gross floor areas of this unique use presents the Applicant with a practical difficulty in the utilization of this 2.3 acre lot. The practical difficultly is created by application of the parking requirement for 5 parking spaces per 1,000 sf applied to this unique use which requires significantly less parking.
- The 24 proposed parking spaces will provide the Applicant with more than adequate parking for his needs as well as the needs of his clients.
- Any other reasons or justifications which may be presented to the Hearing Officer

95-481-XA Variance from Section 413.2(F) to allows a total of 200 s.f. of freestanding sign area in lieu

a. The proposed site is located along a commercial service road where much the existing signage is already 200 s.f. or greater, in size. The size of the signage should be 100 s.f. on both sides of the sign so as to avoid the practical difficulty of little or no visibility. Signage for this use is needed as an identifier so that people looking for the Rental Center can find it. Geipe Road is only about 1400 feet long, so visibility from Rte 40 and from Rolling Road is important to this business. Therefore, a pylon sign of 100 s.f. of sign face on both sides is needed to provide identity.

of the permitted 100 s.f.

Any other reasons or justifications which may be presented to the Hearing Officer

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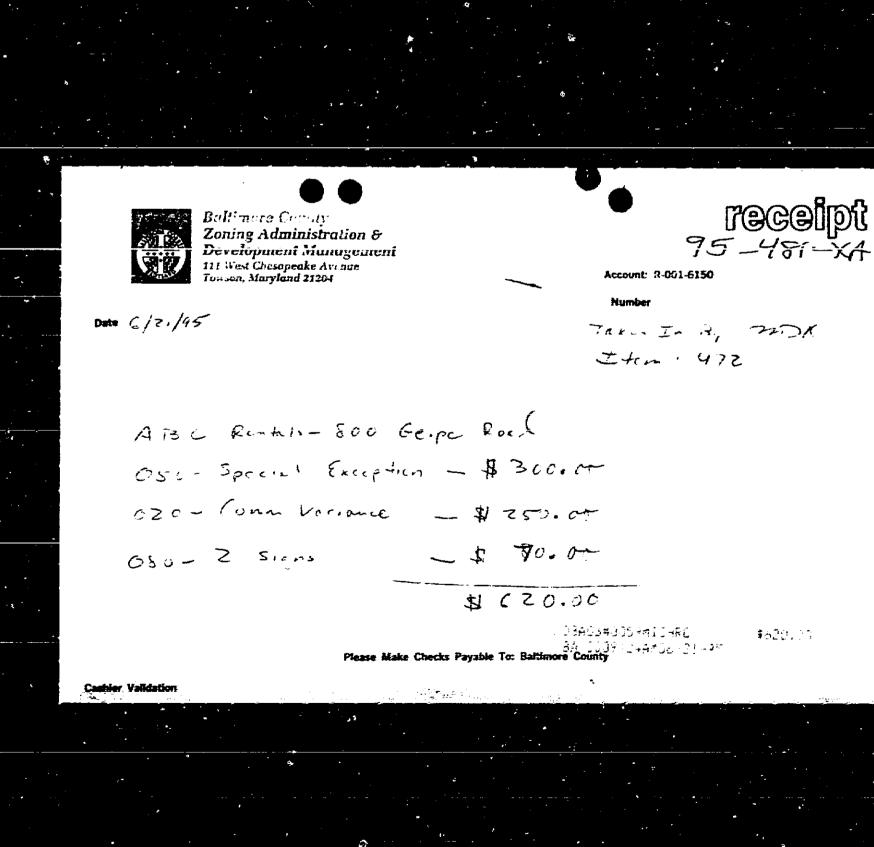
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Petitioner: A B C Rentals			
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LAWRENCE E. SCHATTOT ZONING COMMISSIONER FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director DATE: July 11, 1995

FROM: Development Plans Review

for July 10, 1995

RWB:sw

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

the subject zoning item and we have no comments.

Zoning Administration and Development Management

Items 468, 469, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476 and 477

The Development Plans Review Division has reviewed

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Department of Permits and Development Management

cc: Rolling Road Realty, Inc. ABC Rentals David M. Meadows, Esq.

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> > BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

The Department of Environmental Protection & Resource Management has no

comments for the following Zoning Advisory Committee Items:

Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management



(410) 887-3353

July 18, 1995

David M. Meadows, Esquire 4111 E. Joppa Road Baltimore, Maryland 21236

> RE: Item No.: 472 Case No.: 95-481-XA Petitioner: Rolling Road Realty

111 West Chesapeake Avenue

Towson, MD 21204

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from Baltimore County approval agencies, has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition, which was accepted for processing by Permits and Development Management (PDM), Zoning Review, on June 21, 1995.

Any comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. Only those comments that are informative will be forwarded to you; those that are not informative will be placed in the permanent case file.

If you need further information or have any questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency or Joyce Watson in the zoning office (887-3391).

W. Carl Richards, Jr. Zoning Supervisor

Attachment(s)

ITEM450/PZONE/ZAC1

O. James Lighthizer. Secretary Hal Kassolf
Administrator

Re: Baltimore County

Dear Ms. Watson:

Room 109

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not effected by any State Highway

Please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

Engineering Access Permits

State Highway Administration

Ms. Joyce Watson Zoning Administration and Development Management County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Administration project.

LS:sp

LETTY2/DEPRM/TXTS8P

ZADM

Development Coordination

SUBJECT: Zoning Advisory Committee
Agenda: July 3 1995

FROM:

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PETITION PROBLEMS AGENDA OF JULY 3, 1995

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

The Office of Planning and Zoning has no comments on the following petition(s):

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional

information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 887-3480.

DATE: July 12, 1995

Arnold Jablon, Director

Development Management

FROM: Pat Keller, Director

Item Nos. 450, 470 and 472

Zoning Administration and

Office of Planning and Zoning

SUBJECT: Petitions from Zoning Advisory Committee

Need title of person signing for legal owner. Need address and telephone number for legal owner. Need attorney.

#470 --- CAM

#469 --- JRA

Receipt was not given to petitioner - still in folder.

#471 — CAM

Need telephone number for legal owner.
 Receipt was not given to petitioner - still in folder.

#472 — MJK

Need printed or typed title for person signing for legal owner.

Need power of attorney for person signing for legal owner.

Need printed or typed title for person signing for contract purchaser.

Need power of attorney for person signing for contract purchaser.

No location description on folder.

#475 — JRA

Folder was not marked critical area.

#476 -- JLL

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